## **Q:** Do You Love Your Child?

**A: Yes!!!** 



Then Protect Your Child...

# ...by taking the time to get the facts on lead

# Protect Your Child's Health By Testing Your Child!

Here's the 411 on lead... \*\*\*

#### The Danger is Hard to See

Lead gets into their bodies when children eat lead or breathe it in. Lead also tastes sweet! Lead can be in:

✓ Paint

- ✓ Dust in your home
  - ✓ Drinking water
    - ✓ Dirt outside

## Don't be fooled! A child can have lead poisoning and still look fine!

Q: Why is every child under the age of 6 at high risk for lead poisoning?

A: Lead dust can get on fingers and on toys, and small children are always putting their fingers and objects in their mouth.

## Lead Poisoning Can Damage the Mind and Body

- ✓ Learning disabilities
- **∠** Behavior problems
  - ✓ Health problems
  - ✓ Loss of hearing

Most children who have lead poisoning do not look or act sick. The only way to know is to get your child tested.

#### Prevention Measure:

Feed your child food high in iron and calcium. It can help prevent lead poisoning.

#### Have Your Child Tested For Lead Poisoning.

Every child under six needs to be tested. This simple blood lest may be done at:

V Your doctor's office

Local clinic

Have the first test done as early as six months old. Then ask your health-care worker when your child needs to be tested again.

## We Do Love Our Children! Let's Protect Our Children by Testing Them for Lead.



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